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**REQUEST
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114**

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

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iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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b. ☒ Other (Fee Transmittal)

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i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination and is being filed within two months of the filing of a Notice of Appeal. Please enter the following amendment prior to examination and consider the following remarks.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this Preliminary Amendment. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this Preliminary Amendment, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account No. 08-

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